

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached numbered pages marked "Replacement Sheets", which include all of the drawing Figures (including omitted Figure 9), replace the original drawings sheets.

Attachment: Replacement Sheets

REMARKS

Claims 19-20 and 26-31 are now pending in this application, and claims 1-18, 21-25, and 32-38 have been cancelled without prejudice. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the amendments and remarks contained herein.

DRAWINGS

The Applicant has attached revised drawings, which include omitted Figure 9 that was filed in the parent application, for the Examiner's approval.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

The Examiner states that claims 29-31 would be allowable if rewritten to include the limitations of base claim 21 in independent form, to overcome the 112 rejection. Accordingly, Applicants have amended claims 29-31 to include the limitations of the base claim 21. Therefore, claims 29-31 should now be in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner

believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (314) 726-7505.

Respectfully submitted,

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